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WAR DEBTS

In considering the war debts problem there is one important thing that should be kept in mind. After the United States declared war on Germany it was twelve or more months before any American soldiers were in the fighting lines. It is true there were American troops in France before this, but they were stationed in training camps, they were not fighting.

During that long period of a year or more, it was the United States' war just as much as Britain's war. Britain and France were doing the fighting, and the United States was loaning them money, selling them supplies, and making a good profit out of the transaction.

Britain and France suffered hundreds of thousands of casualties during this period when they were doing their own, as well as United States' share, of the fighting. They received no remuneration, and asked for none.

Surely such a tremendous human sacrifice should receive some consideration in the matter of war debts settlement.

INFLATION AND INFLATION

Sir Charles Gordon, president of the Bank of Montreal, is opposed to inflation. If there is an effect in finance more firmly fixed than any other," said Mr. Gordon recently, "it is the certainty that unrestricted issue of paper currency culminates in disaster."

Mr. Gordon refers to "unrestricted" issue of paper currency. It seems that whenever bankers mention inflation they always think in terms of "unrestricted" inflation; they want "controlled" inflation, and in support of their contentions of the good results it will bring they point to Australia, as one example, where a mild form of inflation is in effect.

MONEY

Two articles dealing with money matters, were published in the last two issues of Maclean's Magazine. The articles were written by G. G. McGeer, K. C. Those who have read the articles cannot help but be impressed by the amazing power to create wealth that has been placed in the hands of the banks, and the extensive operations of the credit system used by these institutions.

For instance, Mr. McGeer points that the bank currency is backed by only 40 per cent gold. In other words, when a minor note is turned out of the hills with \$400 in gold debt, he takes it to the bank and gets \$400 in bank currency. The bank then issues \$1000 in new currency, \$600 of which is "created" by virtue of the power of the bank's charter. The miner gets \$400 for his month's toil, the bank gets \$600 for taking the gold off his hands.

The credit system, explains Mr. McGeer, is the real cause of our financial troubles, and has brought financial chaos in our country in every country. Here is the way it works.

Modern business is carried on by the credit system—by bank account and cheque book. The credit system and cheque book method of doing business were developed by the banks when they learned that they did not require hold more than ten per cent of legal tender cash to maintain the profitable business of banking. The banks learned that for every \$1000 on their books they required only \$100 to meet the cash demands of their customers. Thus when they grant a loan of \$500 they need only \$50 in cash to handle the loan. The customer is given \$500 (less interest) credit on his bank account, and he issues cheques against this amount to other customers of the bank, and they return the cheques to the bank for deposit to their credit account. According to these figures, only ten per cent of the loan is required in cash. The bank needs only \$50 to make a \$500 loan, and draw interest on \$500.

Mr. McGeer says: "Christian men are shocked and their sense of decency and justice is outraged when they hear of usury in the form that results in rate of twenty and thirty per cent. They forget that a banking system practising to loan credit to the extent of nine times the cash money wealth is practising the most violent form of usury ever developed. An understanding of just how bad it is may be gained from the bankrupt condition of the government and trade of the countries where the credit dealer's gold standard private-money system has been encouraged to thrive and prosper in debt, and the credit dealer's loyalty to the gold standard."

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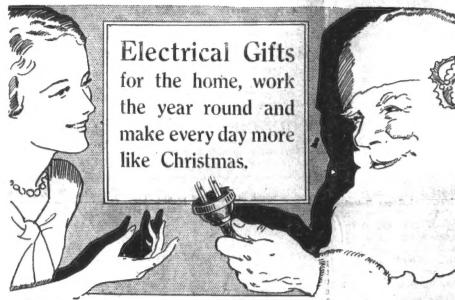
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the misguided belief that such a system was synonymous with a sound money policy. That system of usury explains why Canadian banks, with a paid-up capital of \$44 million dollars, after paying dividends of from twelve to fifteen per cent, still possess a reserve account of 160 millions. It explains the world's economic crisis. It also explains the world's interest-bearing trade centered on the port today with the arrival of the steamer *Escoms*.

Aboard the vessel was a parcel of grain shipped by the International Export Association in bond from Fort William, Ont., through Buffalo and New York ports. Customs authorities here will decide whether the grain is entitled to the six cents per bushel preference granted to the Dominion's wheat.

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CHRISTMAS GREETING CARDS: With printed name and address, 15 cards and envelopes \$1.25; 15 for \$1.65; 24 for \$2.10. A limited number only. W. S. Playfair has nice greeting cards, some of which sell ordinarily for 15 cents each with no printing. W. S. Playfair has 3 Christmas greeting card with western scenes—mountain and ranch scenes—selling for a higher price. The Bazzano Mail.

Nearly 140,000 tons of coal were burned in England in the last 12 months.

Plato, perhaps the most beloved of philosophers, is said while living to be in love with no friends, or to have no friends, or to have no friends.

Christmas Gift Suggestions

GIFT HANDKFS
In fancy boxes: the lawn, linen and quality: 2 in a box
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KAYSER SILK HOSE
Canada's finest silk hose: in service weight, semi-service wt. and fine sheer chiffon. Many styles and acceptable gift.
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SILK LINGERIE
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In the open or close knit style; in fancy designs:
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KAYSER FLUFFS
Very new, pure Italian silk; 2 in one garment; very dainty.
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MEN'S TIES
A host of new designs just arrived; in fancy gift boxes; better quality in pure Italian silk:
50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.25, \$1.75

CHRISTMAS CARDS
With appropriate greetings:
5c, 10c, 15c, 2 for 25c

For Your Christmas WRAPPING
Fancy Tissue and Cord; Beals Cards Holly Leaves Paper, also white, red, and green.

GROCERIES
Staple and Fancy Groceries for the Christmas Table

FRUIT SPECIAL: 1 tin Pears, 1 tin Cherries, 1 tin Pineapple, 4 for ... 79

VEGETABLE SPECIAL: 1 tin Peas, 1 tin Tomatoes, 1 tin Pumpkin, all for 39c

SOUP: Campbell's Tomato; 3c
3 tins for ... 25c

SODA BISCUTS: family size, per pkg. ... 16c

CHICK MEAT: Cream & Blackwell's ... per tin 35c

COFFEE: Star Special, 4 lbs. for ... \$1.00

COFFEE: 1 lb. vacuum tin, Blue Ribbon ... 40c

TEA: Our special Broken Orange Pekoe ... per lb. 50c

TEA: Family Special, per lb. 25c

TRIMMINGS: for fancy cake decorations ... per pkg. 25c

PLAYBOY: Orange, Almond, Banana, Peppermint, for cake or candy making, per bottle 25c

CHOCOLATES: pure, in fancy box ... 50c to \$2.25 a box

GROUND SWEET ALMONDS: per tin ... 27c

FIGS: extra large, per tin ... 25c

ORANGE: large, sweet and juicy ... 2 doz. 25c

BANANAS: 2 lbs. 25c

Slips: Tomato, Celer, Carrots, Turnips, Parsnips, Chantenay

NETS: Walnuts, Almonds, Filberts, Brazil, Chestnuts.

APPLES: 240 ORANGES - PEARS -

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PHONE 26

THE PICTURES

For acrobatically funny situations, Radio Pictures have "Hook, Line and Sinker," co-starring Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey. Is a masterpiece. This picture is showing at the Orpheum Theatre this week, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, Dec. 8, 9, and 10.

It is a "straight" comedy, even funnier than "The Cuckoo," and "Half Shot at Sunrise."

It lifts these comedy klags into a class by themselves, specialists in comedy, both high and low.

They are at their best in clowning and they are also at their best when genuine dramatic artistry is required.

The story starts with a roar and gains in momentum, which never slackens speed nor volume. The boys start out as insurance salesmen, politely steal a whole railroad train, but in on the affairs of a beautiful girl, take over the hotel she has inherited, fill it with society dowagers and their jewels, and then, when publicity brings all the crooks in creation into the hotel, the plot begins in earnest. The girl's mother detests Wheeler. Woolsey plots to marry the mother so he can become the girl's father and give her to Wheeler. The crooks plot to slay the heroes and cut everything for themselves.

John Crawford stars in the feature picture, "Possessed," coming Thursday, Friday, and Saturday of next week, Dec. 15, 16, 17.

Hook forts, used by people of the Far North many centuries ago, are reported found in Kodak Island, Alaska.

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LOCAL NOTES

A. T. Connolly was a business visitor in Calgary last Monday.

A. M. Anderson, ex-merchant of Coonstons, is in the local hospital for an operation.

Louis Whitehorn motored to Calgary last Friday evening for the week-end.

Miss Mary Catro came home from Duches for the week-end, and took in the W. I. whistle drive and dance Friday night.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Rampel, of Coonstons, on Friday, Dec. 2, at the Bassano Hospital.

Miss Ann Kennedy, of the hospital nursing staff, left last Thursday for her home in Camrose, where she will spend a two months' vacation.

Mrs. Prestino, of Milb, is a patient in the hospital here.

P. Ubertino has been doing the janitor work at the school during the illness of J. Hesthouse, who was down with the flu for a few days.

E. P. Currie was a business visitor in Hunsar on Tuesday.

The Anglican ladies tea and sale last Saturday afternoon was well attended, and nearly everything was sold.

The ladies wish to thank all who helped to make their affair a success.

Art Flanagan, who is working in Hunsar, was in Bassano, Pa., Sunday.

P. Dauch, of Milmont, is a patient in the local hospital.

Patric J. P. Fitzpatrick, Roman Catholic priest in charge of this parish for the past three years, has been transferred to Blackfoot, west of Okotoks. Father Fitzpatrick left on Wednesday for his new parish. His many friends here, regret his departure.

Father Morrow, of Medicine Hat, arrived a few days ago to take charge of this parish, and will hold services in Bassano, Sat. Sunday morning, Dec. 11, at 11 o'clock.

Wedding
FISHER-MORRISON

A pretty and quiet wedding was solemnized in the Presbyterian manse, Wednesday, Dec. 6, at two o'clock p.m. when Jessie Edwina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Morrison, was united in marriage with Mr. Ray George Fisher, only son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Fisher. Rev. P. C. McCrue was the officiating clergyman.

The bride was given away by her father, who was dressed in white tulle and lace, and wore a bridal veil caught with orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of sweethearts roses. Her sister ornament was a link of pearls, the gift of the bridesmaid. The bridesmaid was Mrs. Albert Meuel, the bride's sister, who was dressed in white chiffon and lace, and carried a bouquet of carnations. The bride's mother was dressed in an imported gown of ring chiffon black velvet, and had a orange bouquet or Ophele rose. The groom was attended by Robert Morrison, brother of the bride.

A wedding dinner was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Morrison at 5:00 p.m., with the family and a few friends present.

A number of young people were invited for an evening of music and dancing which followed.

The bride received a beautiful cedar chest filled with household linen, the gift of her mother.

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7:30 p.m.—Evening Worship; subject, "Can We Apply the Gospel to Everyday Life?"

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CRAB APPLE JELLY: K. C. brand, pure ... 4 lb. tin .53

CANNED SPINACH: choice quality, No. 2 tins ... 2 tins .39

SLICED PEACHES: Rosella, brand, Australian ... 2 tins .47

MINCEMEAT: Wethy's, 4 lb. tin69

CANNED OYSTERS: new pack, 4 oz. tins ... 2 tins .35

PANCAKE FLOUR: Aunt Jemima's, 50 oz. pkt. ... 2 for .37

SPAGHETTI: Heinz spaghetti with cheese and tomato sauce ... 2 tins .33

CHOCOLATE: Baker's unsweetened, per half pound bar25

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Give hankies this year; they are beautiful, and so inexpensive, and always acceptable. Boxed in three's and half dozen. Pure linen, embroidered lawn, plain and floral crepe de chene; priced at—

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Fine quality Turkish Towel and two face cloths in set; priced at—

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SILK BLOOMERS \$1.00
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TIE PINS 50c

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Single handkerchiefs or boxed in three's and half dozen. In plain white or with colored border and assorted colors.
Single Hdkfs. 10c to 25c. Boxed Hdkfs. 50c to \$1.50
Initial Hdkfs, linen, 50c each. Initial Hdkfs, cotton, 25c each

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Dressy, serviceable spats, all of best quality materials. Currie's Snap-em make.
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CHOCOLATE: Baker's unsweetened, per half pound bar25

CHEESE: Burns' Colonial brand, skim milk cheese ... 2 lb. box .35

TOMATO JUICE: Bullfinch's, unadulterated, tall tins ... 2 for .25

ICE CREAM POWDER: Jello, vanilla flavor ... per pkg. .15

SODAS: Christie's, in large tin container ... per tin .75

TEA: A. G. Economy blend ... per lb. .19

COFFEE: Prairie blend, freshly ground or in the bean ... per lb. .25

COFFEE: Economy blend, freshly ground or in the bean ... per lb. .33c

LAUNDRY SOAP: P. & G. White Naphtha ... 11 bars .47

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